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SUBJECT: JOURNALISTS' VISITS TO DIEGO GARCIA

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1. THERE HAS BEEN MINIMAL PRESS INTEREST HERE ABOUT DIEGO GARCIA AND WE BELIEVE IT UNLIKELY PRESS REPS WOULD ASK TO VISIT. IF VISIT OFFERED, HOWEVER, THERE IS POSSIBILITY SOME WOULD LIKE TO GO.

2. IF PRESS REPRESENTATIVES FROM KUWAIT DID VISIT DIEGO GARCIA, WE BELIEVE THEY WOULD PROBABLY USE THE INFORMATION UNHELPFULLY TO USG WHEN THEY RETURNED. ON OTHER HAND, TO REFUSE TO TAKE LOCAL JOURNALISTS WHO WANT TO GO IF OTHERS ARE GOING MIGHT BE EVEN WORSE. ON BALANCE, WE WOULD TEND TOWARD ACCEPTING SUCH JOURNALISTS RATHER THAN REFUSING THEM.
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